

Wiyot Tribe

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# *The Da'luk*



## Wiyot Goutsuwe'n Wiyot Day

Honoring our Elders and Veterans

Save the Date: August 27, 2022

Opening prayer 3pm

RRADAQUUMUK YINARR LHATSIK

RESPECTING OUR TRADITIONS

The Wiyot Tribe hosts Wiyot Day annually to provide an opportunity for the whole community to come together and celebrate Wiyot Culture, honor our elders, and veterans. The event is held at Table Bluff Reservation in Loleta California, features dance and cultural demonstrations, Card Game Tournament, live music, games for kids and vendors. The Tribe will be serving dinner at 5:30 pm for \$10. From us highway 101 take the Hookton Road off-ramp, from Hookton Road, turn right on Phe-lan road. Event parking will be on the left. Vendor opportunities are available please contact the Tribal office to reserve your space. 707-733-5055

# **Lhatsik Houmoulul "House of Tradition"**

Submitted By; Ted Hernandez



*Our culture is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. Our culture is essential to our community; it is a living spirit that must continue to thrive. We must continue to teach our youth the traditional ways and learn the stories from our elders. An example of one of our stories as told by the elders and an important one is "That the Wiyot People have never given up our rights to fishing, hunting, gathering, and practicing our ceremonies in our ancestral territory. We have been practicing these since time and memorial That we should always know this and never let any government official tell us that we did."*

The Cultural department Continues to work with our local Tribal THPOS, Local cities, and Federal and County Governments on consultation projects, Section 106, Native Americans: California Environmental Quality Act (AB52), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and timber harvest plans (THP). During May, this department has received and commented on 33 projects. This department has monitored 1 project for May in Wiyot Ancestral Territory.

This department is still focusing on removing the Potter Valley Dam in Potter Valley. This power station is not producing any electricity whatsoever due to one of its transformers being nonoperative. But yet they still want to take our water and send it to the Russian River. These dams are killing our sacred Eel River, causing our salmon to either get sick or die. Our Eel (Wiy'ot) river needs to restore its water to return to health for our salmon, eels, and every other creature that relies on its waterways. We are reaching out to our members if you have any old photos, stories, or articles of your families fishing on the Eel in early 1900 before the Dams went up if you would like to share them with this department. We are putting together evidence that shows we never gave up our rights to our rivers to any government or landowners.

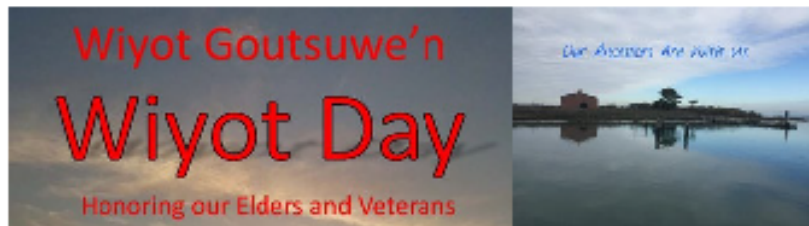
Our department has continued assisting local agencies, schools, and organizations with Traditional Land Acknowledgement language when they bring it to us for review before they post it in their facilities. We are very excited that communities in Wiyot ancestral territory recognize that they live and work on Wiyot land. The goal of our department is to have Wiyot Language all over Wiyot ancestral Territory.

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## **Celebrations and Ceremonies**

The Cultural Department is working on Wiyot Day August 27, 2022, and we are making a call out for Wiyot and traditional dancers and singers for Wiyot day. Come help and join in with the Wiyot dancers as they do a demonstration Brush Dance for our veterans and elders. This department is also looking for vendors for Wiyot Day's if you are interested or know of someone that may be interested, please have them contact Cultural Assistant Mrs. Hazel Garcia and she can help get the paperwork processed. We are also asking for dancers for the celebration of the return for Mouralherwaqh Village on August 19, 2022. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at these two wonderful events. More info will be posted on the upcoming events on our pages.



## **The 2022 Dugout Project**

We have been working slowly on the canoes up at Richardson Grove State Park. On July 17, 2022, we brought the canoes back to Wiyot Territory they are now at Mouralherwaqh village site in King Salmon. We will be working on a schedule on when we will start working on them at the site. The schedule will be posted on our pages so look for upcoming dates. The teams felt it would easier for members to travel to this site due to high gas prices. Also, we will be working around ceremonies in the August as well. August is usually the month when the high dances are being performed and Wiyot Days. Please come out and join us when we post upcoming dates. We are hoping that families can join us when the carving out of our boat begins. As of now we have just been prepping our boat with modern day equipment. So, a safety factor has been our number one priority

# **Soulatuk Hougougou' wurruwisugu'l "brining the Wiyot language back to life"**

Submitted By: Lynnika Butler



## **Ha'wa'lou everyone!**

Marnie & Lynnika continue to record virtual Soulatluk classes at the Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center (every other Thursday from 4-5pm @ <https://bit.ly/3anbAIB>). Swawi rruqhawiduk (we're very happy) to report that these videos have amassed nearly 200 total views so far!

If you want to participate now or in the future, please let us know ([lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us) and/or [matkins@wiyot.us](mailto:matkins@wiyot.us)) what vocabulary, phrases, and topics you would like to practice so that we can prepare to meet your needs.



You can check out our first SEVEN lessons (five Zoom recordings & 2 pre-recorded) on the Soulatluk YouTube channel (scan the QR code above for a link). OR you can check out the new "Soulatluk learning materials" page on the Tribe's website: <http://www.wiyot.us/355/Soulatluk-learning-materials>, where we are posting links to all class videos, downloadable vocabulary pages, and more.

Please join an upcoming lesson and/or watch recorded episodes and let us know what you think! July dates are in Marnie's article and on the community calendar at <http://www.wiyot.us/Calendar.aspx>.

## **BIG(GER) GRANT NEWS!!!**

In addition to the IMLS (place name mapping) and BIA Living Languages (language videos) grant, we were notified in July that the Tribe has *also* been awarded a 3-year ANA Native American Language Preservation & Maintenance grant!!! This grant will fund the development of a 2-year introductory & beginning Soulatluk curriculum to be taught initially at Loleta School, as well as a 3-month recurring culturally based Soulatluk curriculum aimed at the Wiyot community, which will be taught at the Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center (and elsewhere as needed).



Your Linguist/Language Program Manager continues to edit draft conversations to the **Rou Soulatlouy Conversation Book**. You can check progress, ask questions, download draft conversations, and comment at <http://www.wiyot.us/336/Rou-Soulatlouy-conversation-book-project> (← or scan the QR code). We have 24 draft conversations posted online, with another 6-10 coming soon; and we are still open to your ideas!

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*We still need tribal members of all ages to record audio* for these conversations in the coming months. We can do this in person OR via Zoom 😊 If you are interested (we'll coach you on pronunciation, give you a credit in the book, and provide *hiwechk* (money: a small honorarium) for your time; we'll also edit out any hesitations & mistakes!), please contact Lynnika ([lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us) / 707-798-1949 x302).

Below is a draft conversation based on a request from a tribal member for phrases of encouragement. Do you have any questions, comments, or edits you'd like us to make? Let Lynnika know at [lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us)!

Gaqus. [JJ-gr]	<i>I know you.</i>
1. Gou rrugulu's. [DP-kt]	<i>I recognize you (for what you are).</i>
2. Rra'dutwas. [EB-gr]	<i>I admire/respect you. (lit. "I have big thoughts about you")</i>
3. Rra'dutwasuduk. [EB-gr]	<i>We admire/respect you. / We think highly of you.</i>
4. Da shakuvash. [EB-gr]	<i>I'm listening to you.</i>
5. (Yil) wi rrani's. [EB-gr]*	<i>I will help you.</i>
6. Goutsu rrutwit.*	<i>You are good/kind. (lit. "you have good thoughts")</i>
7. Rruqhe guvut.*	<i>You can do it. / You are good at it.</i>
8. Kil halunut.*	<i>You are valuable. / You have value.</i>
9. Dishghaghirat. [EB-gr]	<i>You are liked.</i>
10. Dishghawirughuqirat. [EB-gr]	<i>You are well liked.</i>
11. Doulvhiyayuqilat.*	<i>You are worthy of admiration/being looked up to.</i>
12. Ilhe, goutsu rruqilat! [EB-gr]	<i>Oh my, you are good (looking)!</i>
13. Hijurraivi ku wulasuk. [EB-gr]	<i>I'm glad to see you. (lit. "I'm glad my seeing of you")</i>
14. Kil gou'ts dula rruda'lik.*	<i>You are my friend. (lit. "you are my go-along-well-with")</i>

DP = Della Prince; JJ = Jerry James; EB = Elsie Barto

gr = Gladys Reichard (linguist); kt = Karl Teeter (linguist)

\* = reconstructed based on similar phrases & what we know about Soulatluk grammar

As always, please contact Lynnika if you have any questions about these or any other Soulatluk words and phrases!

Rra'dutwas ('I respect/think highly of you' = respectfully),

Lynnika Butler

Linguist

[lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us)



# **Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center**

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Our Cultural Center is located at 417 Second Street, Suite 101, Eureka.

Watch our monthly Newsletter for ongoing updates!

We are open to tribal members **by appointment!** Group numbers are limited to 24 people in the space at one time. **Please contact Marnie Atkins at [matkins@wiyot.us](mailto:matkins@wiyot.us) or (707) 798-1949 to schedule a time to visit.** Covid protocols are expected to be followed by all visitors, so please wear a mask and social distance as best you can.

During the month of August, the Soulatluk learning program and the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center will partner on presenting a virtual Soulatluk learning demonstration on **Thursday, August 4 and Thursday, August 25 from 4pm-5pm (Pacific time zone).** The link to the virtual presentation is: <https://bit.ly/3qnbAIB>.

There will be no virtual workshop for the month of August. It will return in September, so watch for a date and time update.

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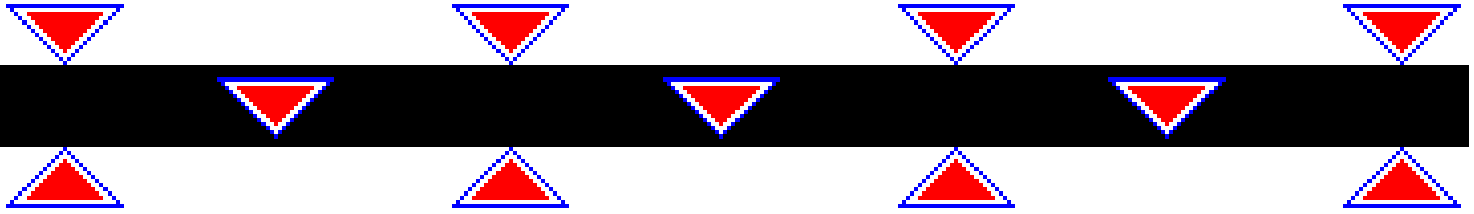
**Da gou rou louwi' "the ongoing return of all" (lit. 'continuous again all the returning')**

When naming our new Cultural Center, Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center, we wanted a name that described that this place would house the ongoing return of all thoughts, items, ideas, and initiatives that are important to Wiyot people. This includes sacred and ceremonial practices, Soulatluk (the Wiyot language), lifeways, cultural traditions, traditional forms of community building, healthy land, water, air, plants, and animals, the return of our Ancestors from museums so they can be laid to rest, a voice in our collective history, and a stronger, more cohesive Wiyot Community. Da gou rou louwi' encompasses these ideas and goals.

If you have questions about our Cultural Center or would like more information beyond the information provided in our Newsletter, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at [matkins@wiyot.us](mailto:matkins@wiyot.us) or (707) 798-1949.

# Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins



## Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center Activities Schedule August 2022

	1	2	3	4	5	6
				Virtual Soulatluk Class 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (PST) <a href="https://bit.ly/3qnbA1B">https://bit.ly/3qnbA1B</a>		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
				Virtual Soulatluk Class 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (PST) <a href="https://bit.ly/3qnbA1B">https://bit.ly/3qnbA1B</a>		
28	29	30	31			
<p>All classes, workshops, presentations, etc. will be held virtually, unless indicated otherwise. When events are offered in-person, masks, temperature checks, and social distancing measures will be in effect. Showing proof of vaccination status is encouraged. Please be safe and stay healthy during these difficult times.</p> <p><b>**Watch the Tribe's online calendar for updates.**</b></p>						



# **Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”**

Submitted By: Adam Canter

## **Mouralherwaqh at King Salmon: Wiyot Forestland and Eco-Cultural Place Returns to the Tribe’s Stewardship!**

Ha’wa’lou from the Wiyot NRD! We hope your summer is going well! It has been an interesting year to say the least, with January to March being the driest for that period every recorded in the State, we were blessed by spring, June, and July 4<sup>th</sup> rains, giving our rivers and our relatives that depend on them some relief. We are still in extreme drought and all efforts should be made to conserve water where possible and reduce personal, family, and workplace carbon footprints. As the effects of excessive carbon pollution in the atmosphere continue to exacerbate human-caused climate change, sea level rise (SLR), and global warming, we must look to a diversity of solutions to combat the acceleration of global temperatures, including habitat conservation and nature-based solutions, along with promoting a rapid and just transition to renewable and carbon-neutral electricity and transportation.

It is with the current body of scientific knowledge and the traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) of the Wiyot Tribe and other Indigenous knowledges that we will continue to adapt and remain resilient to rapidly changing environmental conditions. With our current state of the world and as a continuation of the Wiyot’s legacy of land and water stewardship, it is with great excitement that we announce some historic news for the benefit of the Tribe and the entire community. As a result of the Wiyot Natural Resources Department’s (WNRD) application to the Ocean Protection Council’s (OPC) Prop 1 Environmental Justice grant program, along with the Tribal Council and Administration, and community support from Cal Poly Humboldt, Friends of the Dunes, CDFW, and Humboldt Baykeeper, the Tribe officially closed on 46 acres that include the ecologically and culturally significant Wiyot place of Mouralherwaqh, located at the present day sites known as King Salmon at the base and lower portion of Humboldt Hill. This property is an amazing gem and one of the last pieces of undeveloped land and coastal freshwater wetlands on the historic fringe of the Wigi (Humboldt Bay), surrounded by the ever-growing residential development of Humboldt Hill. The WNRD along with the Cultural and Administrative Departments would like to invite all Tribal citizens to a homecoming and salmon cookout at Mouralherwaqh on Friday August 19<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please stay-tuned and see the Wiyot website for more information to come.

The village and place of Mouralherwaqh holds Wiyot cultural and environmental history that tell of this place being “wolf’s house” which hosts two large sedge



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and cattail dominated freshwater wetlands surrounded mature Sitka spruce trees that serve as a rookery site for egrets and herons. This name was told to Harrington in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century by Wiyot matriarch Birdie James, who commented that "There used to be freshwater there but they have been dredging that slu [slough] there & no more fresh water there, ducks used to go there & drink water". Today the slough is bisected by U.S. highway 101, but the knowledge of the productivity and importance of these wetlands to waterfowl was passed on to present generations of Wiyots, including the late and venerable Wiyot citizen and Council member Linda Lange, who reflected on this knowledge and history when she supported the WNRD's efforts to work with our team to apply for state grant funds to purchase the property, as it was listed on the open market. Receiving selection for the grant award in December of 2021, the grant team worked swiftly to close on one of quickest Tribal land return and conservation deals on record! Mouralherwaqh represents the first piecen of Wiyot ancestral forest lands to be repatriated to the Tribe, hosting one of the southernmost stands of dap or Sitka spruce (*Picea sitchensis*) forest on the Pacific coast. Spruce root is important to the Wiyot art of basketry and is a cultural item that in present times could only be found off Tribally held lands, by either co-management agreements or trespassing. Along with many traditions, the return of Mouralherwaqh will allow for the passing on of TEK associated with ancestral forests, berry and hazelnut picking, hunting, gathering, and mushroom foraging. The return of Wiyot land stewardship will help heal the wounds of prior timber harvest, which occurred on portions of the property in 2013, as a segment of the OPC funding is supporting a hydrological assessment to identify watershed and wetlands restoration opportunities in the small perennial streams and large freshwater wetlands that once hosted open water and large migratory populations of waterfowl traveling along the Pacific flyway. The Tribe also plans to remove a host of non-native invasive plant species that dominate disturbed areas which came in post timber harvest, such as Scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), pampas grass (*Cortaderia selloana*), English ivy (*Hedera helix*), and Spanish heath (*Erica lusitanica*), all aggressive invaders in the coastal zone. In addition to the spruce forest and wetlands, the property hosts areas of northern coastal scrub dominated by evergreen huckleberry (*Vaccinium ovatum*) and cascara (*Frangula purshiana*). The lower portion of the property and mid-slope bench contain nice open grassy areas for Tribal gatherings and events. The wetlands on the property are



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extensive and the WNRD is excited for future in-depth botanical investigations as they contain suitable habitat for rare, threatened, and endangered coastal endemic species, like the state and federally endangered western lily (*Lilium occidentale*).

We are also excited to announce that an additional portion of the grant funds are supporting Wiyot community engagement and visioning for the drafting of an Eco-Cultural Restoration and Management Plan for Mouralherwaqh. This will be a Tribal community-driven plan crafted by the goals of the Tribe thru field trips to the property with Wiyot youth, elders, citizens, and staff, including support from the newly established Native American Studies Food Sovereignty Lab at Cal Poly Humboldt and future hopeful engagement with the Cal Poly Tribal Forestry Program.

The property and its habitat and plant community composition were identified by the WNRD as significant back in 2015 during roadside survey efforts for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Geospatial Ethnobotany Project grant. It was more recently identified as part of the BIA Tribal Resilience Program capacity building grant as a Wiyot cultural site vulnerable to SLR thru geographic information systems (GIS) analysis. While lower portions of the property will be impacted by rising sea levels, much of the property is upland habitat that will remain resilient. As stewards of this land, the conservation of areas like Mouralherwaqh, that span across the estuarine/upland fringe, will provide habitat for wetland and saltmarsh communities to migrate inland as sea levels rise, providing a nature-based solution to SLR.

This is only part of the story of Mouralherwaqh, with much left to tell and a bright future ahead on the Wigi horizon, so stay tuned. If you would like to learn more and participate in the planning processes for the future of Mouralherwaqh please contact the WNRD and we hope to see you on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 when we welcome this special Wiyot place and its people home.

-Adam Canter, Natural Resources Director, [adam@wiyot.us](mailto:adam@wiyot.us) 707-733-5055 x 105



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Table Bluff Reservation  
Humboldt County, California

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Introduction – Marisa McGrew, WNRD  
Fisheries Technician

My name is Marisa, and I’m a lover of the Eel and Pacific lamprey. Originally hailing from the foothills of the Sierra and the south fork of the American River, I moved up to Humboldt in 2014 to attend Humboldt State University (now Cal Poly Humboldt). I earned a degree in Environmental Science with a focus in ecological restoration and a minor in botany. I’ve always enjoyed the water through whitewater rafting and swimming, but I truly fell in love with river ecosystems when I was in my fifth year of college and spent hours peering through a microscope at benthic macroinvertebrates collected from the Trinity River.

This fascination grew when I joined the Watershed Stewards Program and I was serving my term at the California Conservation Corps in Fortuna where I also worked closely with Eel River Watershed Improvement Group (ERWIG). This is where my love for the Eel River began. With the CCC and ERWIG I was hiking and sometimes crawling in tributaries to the South Fork designing large wood features to enhance salmonid habitat and stream complexity. Later in the season I was working alongside and supervising CCC crews to implement those wood structures with the use of grip hoists and wood drills. Immediately following my WSP term, ERWIG hired me on as a Project Manager to stick around for a few months. I then started my rotation of ERWIG in the summer and fall, and then hopping on CDFW crews conducting spawner surveys. In the spring of 2021 while at the CDFW Arcata office, I had the amazing opportunity to observe and tag juvenile salmonids at the Freshwater weir. Another fish that would often swim through were adult Pacific lamprey. This beautiful, slithery stick of swimming butter captured my heart. I was lucky enough to hold many lampreys, look up close in awe at their mouths full of teeth, and feel their muscular bodies wriggle in my hands.

I’m excited to continue working in the Eel River basin for the Wiyot Tribe. My current mini project is collecting water samples from multiple sites within the Eel using eDNA kits. These kits will be used to detect phytoplankton, macroinvertebrates, fish and other species assemblages. I will be particularly interested in detections of Pacific lamprey and build upon the lamprey monitoring system. For the love of lamprey!

## **WNRD Introduction Alex Juan, Fisheries Technician**

Alex (he/him) is a recent graduate from Saint Louis University with degrees in computer science and biology who will be working towards a master's degree in fisheries at Cal Poly Humboldt starting this fall. He is a lover of all things fish-related and can often be found exploring the many great fishing spots Humboldt has to offer. When he's not fishing, Alex enjoys hiking, listening to music, and watching TV.



# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By; Peggy Orcutt



Applicant - Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

This is a new mailing address, please update my enrollment record.

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUESTING: K-6 SCHOOL SUPPLIES - \$170 ☐

7-12 SCHOOL SUPPLIES - \$190 ☐

To support our children and their families, the Tribe will offer \$150.00 for school clothes, and either \$20 (K-6) or \$40 (7-12) for supplies per child. The child must be an enrolled Citizen of the Wiyot Tribe. These funds must be requested by the child's Legal Guardian and the form must be accompanied by the proof of school enrollment. Once the complete application, turned in by the September 30, 2022 deadline, is submitted the funds will be released the following Friday after the application has been deemed complete by the Health and Human Service Department. The Legal Guardian must return receipts for the expended funds for school supplies and/or School clothes by November 1, 2022. A second Winter Clothing assistance will automatically be sent out during winter break for those whose receipts are turned in on time.

April 1, 2023 will be the deadline for the receipts for the second round of funds. Failure to submit the receipts will result in ineligibility for the spring and the program in future years

Submit receipts by fax to (707) 733-5601, email to [rpitts@wiyot.us](mailto:rpitts@wiyot.us), or by mail to 1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551. By signing, I agree to the terms of this program.

Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ Receipts Attached \_\_\_\_\_ School Verification \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment Verified by: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

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## **Health & Human Services - Gou'wil da lalouluwuk "Taking Care of People"**

**1000 Wiyot Dr.**

**Loleta, CA 95551**

**Phone: (707) 733-5055**

**Fax: (707) 733-5601**

### ***School Enrollment Verification***

Child Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize

(LEGAL GUARDIAN)

\_\_\_\_\_ to verify enrollment for my child.

(NAME OF SCHOOL)

By my signature below, I consent to the release.

Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***\*\*To Be completed by School Staff\*\****

The above-named child is currently enrolled in the \_\_\_\_\_ Grade-level at  
\_\_\_\_\_ for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

(NAME OF SCHOOL)

School Staff Printed

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Staff Title:

\_\_\_\_\_

School Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

## **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

**chromebooks available for  
school-aged children &  
college/vocational students**

For more information and application contact Peggy Orcutt,  
Social Work Advocate, at [porcutt@wiyot.us](mailto:porcutt@wiyot.us) or  
call (707) 733-5055.

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### **HEALTH EDUCATION—Influenza (The Flu)**

Influenza (the Flu) season is here. Talk with your medical provider or local pharmacy about getting your flu vaccine.

### **COVID Information**

COVID testing and vaccines are still being provided by UIHS at the Community Center parking lot at 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta CA 95551, every other Tuesday.

- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

For more information on COVID, please visit CDC at [cdc.gov/covid19](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19)

**CASES ARE RISING.  
ACT NOW!**



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



AVOID CROWDS





### COVID-19 Vaccination Incentive Program

The vaccine for COVID-19 has been deemed effective and vital to protect ourselves and our communities from this virus, and to end the pandemic.

To support the health of the Wiyot Tribe, we would like to thank you for getting your vaccination against COVID-19. Enrolled Citizens of the Tribe are eligible to receive up-to \$300 for getting vaccinated. See the incentive schedule below.

The Federal government continues to make vaccinations free of cost to everyone, and most health clinics and pharmacies are making it available. If you have any questions or concerns about the vaccination or the vaccination booster, consult your primary care physician or the Department of Public Health. Please follow the guidelines of the vaccinations and vaccination booster given to you by the health professional.

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ This is a new mailing address, please update my enrollment record.

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- REQUESTING:
- ☐ Single-dose Vaccination - \$200 total
  - ☐ Double-dose Vaccination - \$100 each; \$200 total
    - ☐ 1st Dose
    - ☐ 2nd Dose
  - ☐ 1st Booster - \$100

Submit application and copy of vaccination record to Health & Human Services, Peggy Orcutt, by fax to (707) 733-5601, email to [porcutt@wiyot.us](mailto:porcutt@wiyot.us), or by mail to 1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551

By signing, I agree to the terms of this program:

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COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED

Applicant (age 18+) or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED

Enrollment Verified by: \_\_\_\_\_

# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## **Health & Human Service Groups at Table Bluff Reservation Community Center with Mental Health Advocate, Jennifer Boak**

Held with COVID-19 precautions, no more than 10 persons in the Conference Room at one time, with masking, and 6-feet social distancing. CALL PEGGY AT THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPT AT 707-733-5055 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SIGNUPS.

### **GROUP COUNSELING**

- Motherhood is Sacred/Fatherhood is Sacred—  
Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 PM
- Women's Talking Circle—Wednesday, 5 to 6 PM
- Talking Circle at the Tsek Houdaah program— Avail. M—F, 3:30-4:30 PM



Contact Peggy at HHS Dept at (707) 733-5055 for more information and to sign-up.

### **EXERCISE GROUP**

- Yil da lal, gouts gou lalh ("I am walking, I feel good again")  
Fridays, 1 –1:30 PM, With community garbage pick-up every  
3rd Friday.



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## **Tribal Citizen Services**

HHS Department offers a variety of services to Wiyot Citizens:

1. Burial Assistance up to \$500.00 (Tribal Citizens)
2. Hunting/ Fishing license reimbursement (one per Wiyot household or for an Wiyot Elder, every 12 months)
3. RSTF loan up to \$200.00 (Tribal Citizens, one every 12 months)
4. Large garbage dump reimbursement (outside Table Bluff Reservation Tribal Citizens, once every 12 months)
5. Chimney Cleaning reimbursement (one per Wiyot household every 12 months)
6. Elders/Disabled wood: Elders/disabled Citizens get one cord per year from Men's Camp

**For info please call Peggy at the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055  
All Applications can be found at [www.wiyot.us](http://www.wiyot.us)**

# **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

## **Higher Education and Vocational Training Scholarships**



### **Important Dates:**

FAFSA deadline for 2022-23 School Year: **June 30, 2023**

Wiyot Tribe Scholarship: **August 1, 2022**

BIA Higher Education Scholarship: **2022 Open**

BIA Job Training Program Scholarship: **2022 Open**

**Note:** You can all application forms on the Tribe's website at [www.wiyot.us](http://www.wiyot.us), or for more information, contact Social Work Advocate, Peggy Orcutt, at the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055.

## **Gutswurak da rou da'louy ("There Are a Lot of People Gathered There and They Are Talking") Domestic Violence Advisory Board**



We are looking for interested Wiyot Citizens to be a part of a DV Advisory Board. The goal of the committee is to bring forth ideas and solutions to the Health & Human Services Department to increase and improve safety for victim's of domestic violence in your communities

Meetings will be held at the Community Center at Table Bluff Reservation, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551 once a month on a Thursday from 5 PM to 6 PM. Counseling Intern, Jennifer Boak, will be overseeing the meetings. The first meeting date will be determined by interest.

Interested participants will go through an application and background check to ensure the intent of the board and safety of the members.

For more information and to apply, call Robert at the HHS Department at 707-733-5055.



## **Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**

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### **OPENINGS AT TSEK HOUDAQH (Where the Children Are At)**

The staff look forward to providing a healthy, engaging and fun after-school club for your children.

- Tutoring with Margaret Card
- Computer lab for students to check-in with their classwork and teachers
- 2 meals a day, and snacks, offered each day
- Arts and crafts, and physical fitness/sports fun

**Club members** are enrolled Wiyot Children, children of enrolled Wiyot Citizens, children residing at or within 5-miles of Table Bluff Reservation, and children of Wiyot Tribe employees. Ages 4 to 12. Must have an active, annual application on file.

1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551, from 3:30 to 6 PM

Contact Tsek Houdaqh staff at (707) 733-5055 and ask for a club member agreement.



## **Tsek Houdaqh Summer Camp**

Join us this summer for fun and games,  
cultural activities, outings, and special guests!

**START: Monday June 13th**

**LAST DAY: August 18th**

**Summer Hours: 8am-  
6pm Weekdays**

*Contact Tsek Houdaqh to  
enroll today!*

*Call: (707) 733-5055*

*Or stop by in-person at Tsek Houdaqh!*





## **Wiyot Tribal Council Meetings**


**2nd Monday of the month at 4 pm Pacific time**

**Any Tribal Member can attend live from wherever you are**

**To receive the link to register email: [councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:councilsupport@wiyot.us) by Monday @ 12 pm.**

**All meeting minutes and videos are available to watch on the Wiyot Tribe's website: <http://www.wiyot.us/AgendaCenter>. A recap of the meeting is available in every newsletter.**

**Tribal Citizens are welcome to submit public comments: You can request to be on the agenda to speak during the public comment section of the agenda by emailing [councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:councilsupport@wiyot.us) by Monday @ 12 pm. Tribal Members can submit public comments of any length to Tribal Council in writing by mail Attn: Tribal Council, 1000 Wiyot Dr, Loleta, CA 95551 or by email to [Councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:Councilsupport@wiyot.us). We love to hear from you.**



# Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



## Council Minutes July 11, 2022

**Council present:** Ted Hernandez, Brian Mead Vanessa Rios and Hazel Garcia & Aaron Stephenson

**Staff Present:** Michelle Vassel, Ted Hernandez, Adam Canter & Fawn Lopez

- The agenda was approved with add on CDFW Ocean Ranch Unit (Eel River Wildlife Area)- Informational item
- The consent calendar was approved
- Council approved School Clothes & Supplies for School aged children grades K-12, Legal Guardian must return receipts for the expended funds for school supplies and/or School clothes by November 1, 2022. A second clothing assistance will automatically be sent out for the Spring during winter break for those whose receipts are turned in on time. April 1, 2023 will be the deadline for the receipts for the second round of funds. Failure to submit the receipts will result in ineligibility for the spring and the program in future years.
- Council approved Evergreen construction for the rehabilitation of 201 Wiyot Dr
- Council Evergreen construction for the Housing improvement Program Rehabilitation of 163 Wiyot Dr
- Council approved MoveStrong for Teen-Adult Exercise Area
- Council approved additional grant funding for Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 #22QQCACDD (CFDA 93.575), and adopt revised budget including this additional award
- Informational Item- California Department of Fish and Wildlife Ocean Ranch Unit (Eel River Wildlife Area)



# August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Del Norte County Fair opens Wild Wood Days Rio Dell, CA	5 Trinidad Bay Art & Music Festival	6 Petaluma Music Festival
7 Last day Del Norte County Fair Last day Wild Wood Days Rio Dell, CA	8 BCM Meeting @ 4pm Held by zoom/phone	9	10	11 Full Moon	12	13
14 Last day Sonoma County Fair	15	16	17	18 Humboldt County Fairs opens	19	20 Klamath Salmon Festival 10am
21	22	23	24 Oregon Summer Classic Wilsonville, OR	25	26	27 Wiyot Day 3pm
28 Last day Humboldt County Fair	29	30	31			

*\*Due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic, Wiyot Tribal Council meeting scheduled for 8/08/2022 will be held by Tele/video conference or both. To submit public comments for this meeting prior to meeting, please email comments to [councilsupport@wiyot.us](mailto:councilsupport@wiyot.us) by 12pm Monday 08/08/2022. All public comments received by 12pm will be read into the record during the regular meeting, also to receive a link for the meeting please request the link before 12pm 08/08/2022. Public comments received after 12pm will not be read into the record but will be included in the official minutes.*



# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

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Abilla, Shannon  
 Agosta, Suzanne  
 Allen, Myracle  
 Antal, Tyler  
 Ascar, Jordan  
 Atkins, Douglas  
 Atwell, Hope  
 Beauchamp, Ronald J.  
 Bettis, Alexandria  
 Black, Atalie  
 Black, Haisley  
 Brooks, Alicia  
 Buckley, Darlene  
 Chastain, Christian  
 Creech, Brittany  
 Crellin, Tammy  
 Cruz, Alfredo  
 Cruz, Michelle  
 Davis, Orion  
 Durazo, David  
 Fowler, Alzada  
 Fowler, Kaitlin  
 Friend, Taylor  
 Garcia, Ezekiel  
 Gomez, Adrian  
 Gonzales, Gabriel J.  
 Grim, Joanne  
 Hale, Leslie  
 Hatter, Che-Shup  
 Henry, Sarah  
 Howell, Heather  
 James, Henry Jr.  
 Johnson, Brooke  
 Johnson, Kevin  
 Johnson, Michael  
 Johnson, Willow

Jones, Joseph  
 Keisner, Glenn  
 Lund, Angelina  
 Main, Nanette  
 McDonald, Chadade  
 McGowan, Finigan  
 Moon Sr., Manuel  
 Nelson, Kathleen  
 Owen Jr., Michael  
 Quintana, Selena  
 Quintana, Xander L.  
 Rasco, Debora  
 Rodriguez, Ariella  
 Rodriguez, Lindsey  
 Rodriguez, Ramon J.  
 Santos, Joyce  
 Sauers, Lorrie  
 Scriven, Kenneth  
 Scriven, Tyler  
 Seidner, Phillip  
 Sherman, Aubrey  
 Simpson, Deborah  
 Sovereign, Travis  
 Stout, Axel  
 Tipton, James  
 Voorhees, Robert  
 Woodhurst, Alan  
 Woodhurst, Anthony  
 Woodhurst, Maximus  
 Woodhurst-Edwards,  
 Tina  
 Youngblood, Martha



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 will help in getting your  
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 to wait 90 days from the  
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**COVID-19 VACCINE AND TESTING CLINIC**

**AT TABLE BLUFF RESERVATION  
 ADMINISTRATION PARKING LOT**

**From 11 AM to 1 PM**

**Starting 5/27/2021 and every other week, until further notice**

## Wiyot Tribal Council

Ted Hernandez .....Tribal Chairman (2020-2024)  
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2022-2026)  
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)  
rrawuraghu'miyuk Linda Lange.....Treasurer (2019-2023)  
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member ( 2021-2025)  
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2019-2023)  
Aaron Stephenson .....Council Member (2020-2024)

## **Gock Wuck "Knowledge"**

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

### Da Rou Gawok "Everyone working Together"

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator  
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant to TA/Council Clerk  
Lisa Stephenson.....Enrollment Clerk  
Vanessa Rios.....Receptionist  
Heather Blevins.....Emergency Operator  
Aaron Stephenson...Maintenance Technician  
Melvin "Junior" Farmer...Maintenance Assistant  
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper

### Hiwechk "Money"

Farzad Forouhar .....Fiscal Technician  
Jack Kennard.....Fiscal Technician

### Gou'll da lalouluwuk "Taking care of People"

Robert Pitts Jr.....Health & Human Service Director  
Alicia Morgan..Laqilh Haluni Assistant  
Gary Markussen Sr.....ICWA Advocate  
Vacant.....Transportation Driver  
Peggy Orcutt.....Social Work Advocate  
Noell Danis.....Social Work Advocate  
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT  
Jennifer Boak.....Counseling Mental Health

### Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Ted Hernandez.....Cultural Director  
Hazel Garcia.....Cultural Assistant  
Dr. Lynnika Butler .....Linguist  
Vacant.....Language Specialist  
Marnie Atkins.....Cultural Museum Manager

### Tsek Houdagh "Where the Children are"

Vacant .....Youth Program Manager  
Margaret Card.....Johnson O'Malley Coordinator  
Grant Bryant.....Youth Program Assistant

### Shawir Darrudaluduk "We belong to the Wilderness"

Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director  
Dr. Bill Matsubu.....Fisheries Biologist  
Vacant.....Natural Resources Technician  
Vacant...Natural Resources Technician



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# Change of Address Request Form

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Names Used: \_\_\_\_\_

Children who will be effected (legal name and Date of Birth:

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Wiyot Tribe  
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Lolita, CA 95551

